AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-5 (Canceled)

Claim 6 (Original): A multi-nozzle ink jet head having a plurality of nozzles, comprising:

a head substrate in which are formed said plurality of nozzles and a plurality of pressure chambers;

a diaphragm that comprises a common electrode layer and a rigid layer and covers each of said plurality of pressure chambers;

a plurality of piezoelectric elements provided on said diaphragm in correspondence with said pressure chambers; and

a plurality of individual electrodes provided on said piezoelectric elements in correspondence with said piezoelectric elements;

wherein a low-resistance layer is provided on said common electrode layer in a position parallel to a row of said piezoelectric elements.

Claim 7 (currently amended): [[The]] A multi-nozzle ink jet head ~~according to claim 6, wherein~~ having a plurality of nozzles, comprising:

a head substrate in which are formed said plurality of nozzles and a plurality of pressure chambers;

a diaphragm that comprises a common electrode layer and a rigid layer and covers each of said plurality of pressure chambers;

a plurality of piezoelectric elements provided on said diaphragm in correspondence with said pressure chambers; and

a plurality of individual electrodes provided on said piezoelectric elements in correspondence with said piezoelectric elements;

wherein a low-resistance layer is provided on said common electrode layer in a position parallel to a row of said piezoelectric elements, and

said common electrode layer has a plurality of earth contacts.

Claim 8 (original): The multi-nozzle ink jet head according to claim 7, wherein a plurality of contact parts are provided for exposing the earth contacts of said common electrode layer from said head.

Claim 9 (original): The multi-nozzle ink jet head according to claim 8, wherein said plurality of contact parts are provided on said low-resistance layer.